How to Use the Career Lattice

The Alaska Career Lattice is designed to assist job seekers, career counselors, education administrators, and training providers identify occupations that are the most likely to lead to advancement to or from a particular occupation.

Advancement to a goal occupation:

If you're considering a certain occupation as a goal and looking for possibilities for advancement, *choose a goal occupation* from the list of occupations. Your goal occupation, called the "Focus Occupation," will appear in the box at the vertical center of the career lattice. Occupations that may help you advance *to* the focus occupation will be *below* the focus occupation box.

[See an example.]

Advancement from a current occupation:

If you're seeking the best options for advancement **from** your current job, choose your **current occupation** from the occupation list. It will be displayed in the box at the vertical center of the career lattice as the focus occupation. Options for advancement will appear **above** your current position.

[See an example.]

Immediate transfer to a related occupation:

Perhaps you'd like to transfer directly to an occupation for which you are already qualified. For example, you may have lost a job and need immediate employment, or may want to change occupations without needing extra training or education. In this case, options for transfer will appear to the right of your selected current occupation.

[See an example.]

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